

VILLAGE OF NEW MINAS
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
OCTOBER 20, 2008

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Commission of New Minas was held on October 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chair Dave Chaulk
Vice-Chair Dale Pineo
Commissioner Dean Hatt
Commissioner James Redmond
Commissioner Maynard Stevens
Clerk Treasurer Terry Silver

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Sandra Horley, Resident
Mr. Don Zwicker, Resident
Mr. Peter Pothier, Superintendent of Public Works

CALL TO ORDER – Dave Chaulk, Chair

Chair Chaulk called the meeting to order. He welcomed everyone to the meeting

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Oct 20, 2008

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the Agenda for the regular Commission of October 20, 2008 be approved as presented. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Commission Meeting Sept 8, 2008

It was moved by Commissioner Redmond, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the minutes of the Regular Commission meeting held September 8, 2008 be approved as circulated. MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATION – Request to Change the Name of Cornwallis Avenue – Carolyn Landry

Chair Chaulk stated that the Clerk had been requested by Ms. Landry to attend this meeting to do a presentation and was told she would be placed on the Agenda for this meeting; however, Ms. Landry was not in attendance at this time.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Complaint – Laurence Coldwell - Update

The Clerk provided a report as a follow up to Mr. Coldwell's complaint during the September 8th Commission meeting. She stated Mr. Coldwell had notified staff that he checked his property and determined there was a leak that would explain his excessive water use.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Water Commission Report – Commissioner Maynard Stevens

Commissioner Stevens read the report of the New Minas Water Commission (attached to original minutes).

Commissioner Stevens advised that he attended the Regional Sewer Committee meeting in September at which the Committee agreed for a meeting of technical personnel from the County and Village to take place to discuss the Village's concerns for the Regional Sewer Plant operations. T. Silver stated that meeting had taken place today and a report would be forwarded to the Water Commission meeting being held later this week.

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Redmond that the report of the New Minas Water Commission be accepted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Area Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt read the report of the New Minas Area Advisory Committee (attached to original minutes).

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the report of the New Minas Area Advisory Committee be accepted as presented. MOTION CARRIED

c) Recreation Advisory Committee – Vice-Chair Dale Pineo

Vice-Chair Pineo advised there was no meeting of the Recreation Advisory Committee; therefore, no report.

d) Transportation Advisory Committee – Commissioner Dean Hatt

Commissioner Hatt advised there was no meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee; therefore, no report.

e) 40th Anniversary Committee – Commissioner Maynard Stevens

Commissioner Stevens advised there was no meeting of the 40th Anniversary Committee; therefore no report. He stated there would be a wrap up meeting in November which would likely be the final meeting of this Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Fire Services Task Force – Representative – Chair Chaulk

Chair Chaulk stated that during conversations he had with one of the Fire Chiefs in this area, he was told that the Village could benefit by having a representative on the Fire Services Task Force. The Clerk had contacted the Fire Services Task Force rep to advise that the Village was considering having a representative on the committee and requesting information on the procedure. She did not receive a response to date.

It was moved by Vice-Chair Pineo, seconded by Commissioner Hatt that Commissioner James Redmond would be designated to be the Village's representative on the Fire Services Task Force. MOTION CARRIED

b) Recommendation – Auditing Services

It was moved by Commissioner Hatt, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the firm of Morse Brewster Lake be appointed as the Village's Auditors from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2012. MOTION CARRIED

c) Recommendation – Legal Services

It was moved by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Vice-Chair Pineo that the firm of Newton Law be appointed as the Village's Solicitors from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2012. MOTION CARRIED

OTHER ADDED ITEMS

a) Association of Nova Scotia Villages

Commissioner Stevens stated he had attended the Annual Association of NS Villages meeting held in Bible Hill in September, and would be preparing a report for the November Commission meeting. He stated he was elected to the Board of Directors.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion of Commissioner Redmond the meeting adjourned.

Dave Chaulk, Chair

Terry Silver, Clerk Treasurer